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1. GROSSENHAIN (AOL), 26 November 1949

a. According to a former Luftwaffe man who has access to GROSSEN-HAIN airfield, the first new arrivals of personnel occurred during "the first days" of October 1948; these were SAF ground troops. Shortly thereafter came officers and their dependents, the latter coming from Russia. During the night of 18-19 October, 8-10 aircraft landed and were placed in hangars from which they have not emerged since that time. Due to the peculiar whistling sound made by these planes in their flight over the town, it is believed that they are jet types. Only a single PO-2 has made an appearance on the landing field.

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2. KAMENZ (A41), 24-25 November 1949

a. This field, NE of KAMENZ, is not occupied by Soviet ground or air units. Nor are there any Volkspolizei units in the surrounding area. A local surveyor alleges that there has been no air traffic in the KAMENZ area since 1945.

b. All permanent airfield installations were demolished in 1949. A normal gauge railroad spur remains. The landing field, now used for grazing, consists of short grass in good condition; it measures 4 x 3 1/2 km. It is suitable for reconnaissance, single engine fighter, and light bomber aircraft.

c. Five barracks blocks in KAMENZ proper are occupied by about 2,000 men wearing black epaulets/red piping [redacted] No armor or weapons were seen. It is said that armored troops used the barracks during summer 1949, later returning with their tanks to KOENIGSBRUECK.

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Enclosure: Sketch map of KAMENZ airfield.

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